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In re Application of:

Richard D. Granstein

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Art Unit:

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Examiner:

Qian J. Li

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## RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

April 23, 2002

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated November 23, 2001 received in the above-captioned application. Enclosed are a Petition for a two month extension of time for response and the appropriate fee. Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the following remarks and amendments.